

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8612

C O N F I D E N T I A L SINGAPORE 4153

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS, SN  
SUBJ: NEW ARMS TRANSFER POLICY GUIDELINES

REF: STATE 207984

IN COURSE OF SEPTEMBER 21 MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY POLITICAL  
DIVISION DIRECTOR TAN BOON SENG, EMBOFF BRIEFLY DESCRIBED

THOSE ELEMENTS OF NEW ARMS TRANSFER POLICY GUIDELINES THAT  
WOULD AFFECT SINGAPORE, NOTING PARTICULARLY THAT ALL SINGAPORE  
QUERIES REGARDING PROCUREMENT OF MAJOR DEFENSE EQUIPMENT  
SHOULD HENCEFORTH COME THROUGH DIPLOMATIC RATHER THAN MILITARY  
CHANNELS. TAN EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING OF THIS REQUIREMENT AND  
OBSERVED THAT IT WOULD POSE NO PROBLEM FOR GOS. HE COMMENTED  
THAT SINGAPORE, IN ANY EVENT, WOULD PROBABLY BE SEEKING VERY  
FEW ITEMS WHICH WOULD FALL WITHIN CATEGORY OF MAJOR DEFENSE  
EQUIPMENT IN NEAR FUTURE APART FROM EQUIPMENT ALREADY UNDER  
DISCUSSION. HOLDRIDGE

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## Message Attributes

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